16 JUL 1975

Mr. Angus M. Thuermer MEMORANDUM FOR:

Assistant to the Director

Acting Deputy Director for Administration VIA

: The Socialist Workers Party SUBJECT

Young Socialist Alliance

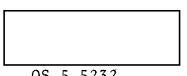
1. Reference is made to a recent press inquiry concerning the Agency's interest in the Socialist Workers Party and the Young Socialist Alliance and your request of 16 July 1975 that the Office of Security prepare a statement for release to the press concerning this inquiry.

2. It is proposed that the following response be provided to the news media in reference to the Socialist Workers Party and the Young Socialist Alliance:

"The Socialist Workers Party was of interest to the Central Intelligence Agency in view of the fact that since 1947 it had been identified by the U. S. Attorney General, by Executive Order 9835, as a subversive organization. Likewise, our interest in the Young Socialist Alliance was based on the alleged close ties between the Young Socialist Alliance and the Socialist Workers Party.

The materials cited in recent news media reporting dated 1951, 1959, and 1961 concerning the above organi zations was obtained passively and was not the result of any active or deliberate attempt to surveil the activities of the Young Socialist Alliance or the Socialist Workers Party." i i

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"The 1969 and 1970 information relating to these two organizations which has appeared in recent news reporting is at variance with the Rockefeller Report. This discrepancy results from the fact that this information was not summarized until late February 1975, and was not forwarded to the Commission since it did not appear to substantially alter that which had already been provided."

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